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SUBJ: INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL PROJECT - DAKAR

REF: DAKAR 3761

1. LOCAL PANAM MANAGER HAS DELIVERED TO EMBASSY COPY OF DEC 19 LTR FROM GOS SEC GEN (DELEGUE GENERAL) FOR TOURISM MOUSTAPHA FALL TO INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL CORP. (IHC) VICE-PRESIDENT FRANK ROSS IN WHICH FALL ANNOUNCED GOS CANCELING ALL ACCORDS WITH IHC AND CONSIDERING CAP MANUEL HOTEL PROJECT DEAD. IHC HAD MADE FINAL PROPOSITION IN OCT TO GOS FOR STUDY OF PROJECT ON BASIS 400 RATHER THAN 280 RMS. IHC ASKED GOS TO COVER \$368,000 COST FOR SUCH STUDY. FALL NOTES IN RESPONSE THAT CONDITIONS PROPOSED BY IHC ARE "NOT SATISFACTORY". FALL SAID GOS CONSIDERED ALL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN GOS AND IHC NULL AND VOID AS OF 19 DEC.

2. FALL ASSURED IHC THAT GOS, THROUGH "SOCIETE DES HOTELS DU CAP VERT" COMPANY WOULD PAY IHC FOR EXPENSES INVOLVED IN STUDY OF PROJECT UPON SUBMISSION OF PROPER BILL.

3. COMMENT: AFTER MORE THAN TEN YRS OF CONSIDERATION, DAKAR IHC HOTEL PROJECT APPEARS DEAD. FAULT FOR NUMEROUS DELAYS APPEARS TO LIE WITH BOTH
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GOS AND IHC AND BOTH SIDES SEEM TO HAVE LOST

ENTHUSIASM FOR PROJECT OVER PAST FEW MONTHS.
DOWNTURN IN WORLD ECONOMY,POSSIBLE CUTBACK IN
TOURISM, CONSTRUCTION OF SEVERAL OTHER HOTELS IN DAKAR,
TERMENDOUS INFLATION IN CONSTRUCTION COSTS, AND PANAM'S
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES COMBINED TO DOOM PROJECT.
PARTING OF IHC AND GOS APPEARS TO BE REASONABLY AMIABLE
AND EMBASSY CURRENTLY DOES NOT FORESEE ANY NEGATIVE
REPERCUSSIONS FOR GENERAL US-SENEGALESE RELATIONS.
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